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H. R. 126

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to limit citizenship at birth, merely by virtue of birth in the United States, to persons with citizen or legal resident mothers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 2009

Mr. GALLEGLY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. LIMITING CITIZENSHIP AT BIRTH, MERELY BY**
4 **VIRTUE OF BIRTH IN THE UNITED STATES,**
5 **TO PERSONS WITH LEGAL RESIDENT MOTH-**
6 **ERS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 301(a) of the Immigra-
8 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1401(a)) is amended

1 by inserting before the semicolon the following: “, of a
2 mother who is a citizen or legal resident of the United
3 States”.

4 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
5 subsection (a) shall apply to persons born after the date
6 of ratification of an article of amendment to the Constitu-
7 tion of the United States that repeals the first sentence
8 of section 1 of the fourteenth article of amendment to the
9 Constitution of the United States.

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